

CITY OF ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI

BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS

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Certified Copy of Death Record

Registration District No. 318
Primary Registration District No. 1003

File No. _____
Registered No. 967

1. PLACE OF DEATH:

(a) County St. Louis

(b) City or town St. Louis

(If outside city or town limits, write "RURAL" and name of township)

(c) Name of hospital or institution In route to City Hospital

(If not in hospital or institution, write street number or location)

(d) Length of stay in hospital or institution _____ (Specify whether in this community _____ years, months or days)

3. (a) PRINT FULL NAME Burdette C Johnson

3. (b) If veteran, _____ 3. (c) Social Security name war _____ No. none

4. Sex Male 5. Color or race White 6. (a) Single, widowed, married, divorced Single

6. (b) Age of husband or wife _____ 6. (c) Age of husband or wife _____ If alive _____ years

7. Birth date of deceased January 2 1885
(Month) (Day) (Year)

8. AGE:

Years	Months	Days
<u>62</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>22</u>

 If less than one day _____ hr. _____ min.

9. Birthplace Missouri
(City, town, or county) (State or foreign country)

10. Usual occupation Maintenance man

11. Industry or business _____

12. Name William Johnson

13. Birthplace Martinsburg Indiana
(City, town, or county) (State or foreign country)

14. Maiden name unknown

15. Birthplace unknown
(City, town, or county) (State or foreign country)

16. (a) Informant Eric Newman

(b) Address 6450 Cecil

17. (a) Burial (b) Date thereof Feb. 26, 1947
(Burial, cremation, or removal) (Month) (Day) (Year)

(c) Place: burial or cremation Valhalla Cemetery

18. (a) Signature of funeral director Peetz Funeral home

(b) Address 3029 Lafayette Ave

19. (a) Feb. 26, 1947 (b) J. E. Bredeck
(Date received local registrar) (Registrar's signature)

2. USUAL RESIDENCE OF DECEASED:

(a) State Missouri (b) County _____

(c) City or town Clayton Mo
(If outside city or town limits, write "RURAL")

(d) Street No. 712 Audubon Drive
(If rural, give location)

(e) If foreign born, how long in U. S. A? _____ years.

MEDICAL CERTIFICATION

20. DATE OF DEATH: Month February day 24th
year 1947 hour 8 minute 30 A. M.

21. I hereby certify that I attended the deceased from _____ 19 _____ to _____ 19 _____

that I last saw him alive on _____ 19 _____ and that death occurred on the date and hour stated above.

Immediate cause of death Ruptured Aortic Aneurysm

Due to _____

Due to _____

Other conditions (Include pregnancy within 3 months of death) _____

Major findings: _____

Of operations _____

Of autopsy _____

22. If death was due to external causes, fill in the following:

(a) Accident, suicide, or homicide (specify) _____

(b) Date of occurrence _____

(c) Where did injury occur? _____ (City or town) (County) (State)

(d) Did injury occur in or about home, on farm, in industrial place, in public place? _____ (Specify type of place)

While at work? _____ (e) Means of injury _____

23. Signature Thomas F Callanan (M. D. or other) _____

Address Coroner Date signed 2/26/47

CITY OF SAINT LOUIS {
STATE OF MISSOURI { ss.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the above is a true and correct copy of the certificate of death of Burdette C Johnson

filed in the office of Vital Statistics, City of St. Louis, State of Missouri, that the above certificate is filed in said office and is a part of the permanent records of the Bureau of Vital Statistics, City of St. Louis, Mo.

WITNESS my hand as Commissioner of Health, Done at the City of Saint Louis, this 31st day of March 19 47,

Joe Gallagher
City Register

J. E. Bredeck, M.D.
Health Commissioner.

Louis H. Keltz
Comptroller.

Per *Herbert G. Korman* Clerk.
(Write full name of clerk)

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PRESIDENT

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LC ERIC NEWMAN=

315 EASHINGTON ST STL=

INEXPRESSIBLY GRIEVED AT SUDDEN DEATH OF BURDETTE STOP PLEASE
CONVEY MY DEEPEST SYMPATHY TO MARY STOP GRATEFUL IF YOU
ARRANGE FOR SUITABLE WREATH FROM MERIEL AND LEONARD FORRER
STOP WRITING IMMEDIATELY AND COULD ARRANGE COME OVER AT SHORT
NOTICE IF DESIRABLE=

LEONARD FORRER;

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February 25th, 1947

Col. Leonard B. Furrer
175 Piccadilly
London, W. 1.

Dear Col. Furrer:

The cable we sent you yesterday I know must have shocked and grieved you very much and am sure you are anxious to know a little more of the details of the sudden death of Mr. Johnson. The enclosed clipping will explain things better than I could and eliminate my writing a long letter at this time. Mr. Johnson had not been ill as far as anyone knew and seemed in the best of spirits when I left for the week-end on Friday afternoon.

Mary, who as you know, has been in Boston with her husband will get in late this afternoon and her mother and father arrived last night. Mr. Johnson will be buried tomorrow afternoon from his home as you can see from the death notice which is also enclosed in this letter.

We have lost a most wonderful friend and one who we will miss in many ways for a long time to come.

Sincerely yours,

Enc.

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J-78.

26th. February, 1947.

St. Louis Stamp & Coin Co.,
408 Olive Street,
St. Louis, Mo.,
U. S. A.

For the attention of Miss Luby.

Dear Miss Luby,

Please forgive me addressing you by your maiden name, but for the life of me I cannot remember your present surname.

You can easily realise what a shock it was to me to receive Mr. Nerman's cable yesterday, to which I replied immediately by cable and also by letter. It will have come as a shock to you too, as I can only imagine that he was in his normal health since he said nothing to me about being ill in his letter of February 17th. You know that you have my every sympathy in this loss and I am sure that you will sadly miss him.

I am writing to you because owing to the rush of business over here, coupled with all the upset of my wife going away and coming back as also my own trip abroad, I have not acknowledged all the letters I received, although I did write to Mr. Johnson from Geneva to acknowledge his letters F-41 and 42 which arrived just before I left. For the sake of the records, I acknowledge your letters F-41 and 42, 43, 44 and 45, but there is nothing much to answer in them now except the two following points which will arise and about which you will no doubt

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speak to Mr. Newman.

1. Your letter F-41 of January 20th. I had arranged for Mr. F. Calico, staying at Wittlin's, 509 Madison Avenue, New York 22, to forward to Mr. Johnson the two coins in which he was interested, that is No.4 at \$300. and No.16 at \$225 making a total of \$525.00 to be remitted to Mr. Calico. I do not know whether these coins came in before his decease and of course, if they come later I naturally will understand that you will have to refuse them, but I should be more than grateful if you would let me know about this as I shall have to make other arrangements.

2. On the 14th. February, I mailed you the two coins in accordance with the enclosed invoice. There again, these will reach you probably after this letter, and I shall quite understand if you send them back.

These are the two only items which were in suspense between us at this moment.

Yours sincerely,


Leonard S. Forrer.

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3rd. March, 1947.

St. Louis Stamp & Coin Co.,
408 Olive Street,
St. Louis, Mo.,
U. S. A.

For the attention of Mrs. Bryant.

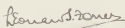
Dear Mrs. Bryant,

I was so grateful to receive your kind letter of February 25th. on Saturday. I agree with you entirely that we have lost a most wonderful friend and we shall miss him in many ways for a long time to come.

This morning I had a letter from Mr. Hans Schulman written on his way back from St. Louis, giving me a few further details which I was very glad to have.

I am sure that it must be very difficult for you to continue working in that office which was so full of his presence, and I do want you to know that you have my every sympathy.

Yours sincerely,


Leonard S. Forrer.

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25th. February, 1947.

Mr. Eric P. Newman,
705 Olive Street,
St. Louis, Mo.,
U. S. A.

Dear Mr. Newman,

You will have long since received my cable in reply to yours, which I found on my desk this morning. I need hardly tell you what a tremendous shock it was to me to hear of the sudden death of Burdette. It was not simply because we were so happily associated in business over here, but it was much rather the loss of a dear and valued friend. I relied on his judgement, as you know, and we had worked together so amicably for so many years without ever having the slightest shade of disagreement between us, that I considered him as really one of my closest friends quite apart from the business angle. It leaves me very much the poorer, not in the financial sense of course, but in the much more valued relationships of life. I had no idea of course that there was anything the matter with him and in fact, I had a cheery letter from him only a few days ago, to which I had delayed replying, partly owing to my having been away and partly to the arctic conditions in my office which have made things very difficult the last few weeks. As I said in my cable, I wanted you to express my deepest sympathy to Mary, who will I know, feel his loss even more, possibly, than I shall.

I am sorry to have had to burden you with the procuring of a wreath from us, but I did want some token of our sympathy to accompany him on his last

Mr. Eric P. Newman,

25th. February, 1947.


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journey. If you will let me know what I owe you for this, I will either obtain Bank of England permission to remit it, or if this is difficult I can make arrangements for the amount to be settled from Switzerland.

Again as I mentioned in my cable, if you consider that it would be desirable for me to come over I am prepared to do this. I do not know of course any details of his testamentary wishes but I always gathered from him that Mary was to be the principal legatee and it may be that she would need some advice. You are best judge of what is desirable and I of course leave the whole matter to your judgement. From the financial angle the accounts as between the two of us are fortunately not involved or difficult to straighten out. There is the Horace consignment which will require to be settled in due course, and apart from that, there is a balance in his favour on the current account, but not a very large one, so that as far as I can foresee there will be no difficulty in arriving at a settlement when the time is ripe. I thought you would like to know this, and of course I can supply you with all necessary figures in due course.

May I say how grateful I am to you for letting me know so quickly, and if you can spare the time, I should be very glad to have any further details you would like to give me.

Yours sincerely,


Leonard S. Forrer.

March 10, 1947

Mr. Leonard S. Forrer
L. S. Forrer Ltd.
175 Piccadilly
London. W. 1, England

Dear Leonard:

Mr. Johnson's death has been a very difficult realization for me. I have lost a very close friend, and the suddenness of it makes the shock all the more. I felt very sorry for him because he had planned to go to England this summer and to carry on the pleasant relationship which he had with you for many, many long years.

He was buried with his parents here in St. Louis in the manner he had indicated. Although his life was rather complete he did not have long enough to enjoy the fruits of his many years of exceptionally hard work.

George Gessler and I are his executors. His will left his home and a two-family apartment to Mary Cruzan. There are bequests of about \$15,000.00 to friends and relatives and the balance of the estate goes one-half to Mary Cruzan and the other one-half to Mary Sheffield, of Cleveland, Ohio, who is a first cousin.

Apparently Mr. Johnson had not been feeling too well during the past few months as he seemed to have reviewed with Mary Cruzan everything he wanted done in case of his death. He had not seen a doctor but acted drowsy and over-fatigued on many occasions. His death was caused by a rupture of his aorta which, I believe, is called an "aneurysm".

There are a great many problems with respect to his estate which we will have to face and, temporarily, the great bulk of them are legal ones. Under his will he authorized the business to be carried on, and we are getting permission to do so. How extensive those operations will be is hard to say at this time. As you know, he had a substantial quantity of merchandise on consignment from others and I believe it will be necessary to return these consignments to the owners. This will not take place for a while because of the detail involved, but if there is any way in which we might arrange for your company to handle this merchandise or portions thereof, I know Mr. Johnson would have wanted me to do everything in order to do so. The difficulty, of course, is the exchange controls. If you have any suggestions as to any procedure we might undertake to secure portions of these consignments for you I would appreciate hearing

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from you. Of course, Mr. Johnson had a stock of merchandise on hand which will in due course be subject to disposition. There is nothing to be done about that now other than to sell it in the United States in the ordinary course of business and not to make any bulk disposition thereof.

The wreath which you asked me to arrange for was duly taken care of. Please do not concern yourself about the payment for it for the present.

I wish to thank you for your willingness to come over to America and I believe for the present it will be best to await developments. There is nothing which can be done rapidly in probate administrations, as you know.

I believe that you have certain checks of Mr. Johnson which you were currently cashing in order to send coins to this country. Please return these, but if you wish some American funds for that purpose we will be glad to consider your request. My own notion of the matter is that unless the American funds are used for coins at a great bargain they should not be used. I have a distinct feeling that the coin market here has slipped considerably, as have retail sales, the stock market, and other business.

I often think of you and the difficulties you and your countrymen are having. It seems as though you have more unsolvable problems on hand now than you deserve. We are warm and comfortable and apparently spend our time planning expeditions to Northern Canada and the South Pole in order to enjoy the cold. You apparently have the cold on hand and are hoping to enjoy the coal.

You will note from the above letterhead my office address.

I hope you continue to be successful, and I know it was Mr. Johnson's wish that you would continue to be. You will of course get every cooperation from me and I know you will reciprocate.

With kindest personal regards.

Sincerely,

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17th. March, 1947.

Mr. Eric P. Newman,
Edison Brothers Stores, Inc.,
315 Washington Avenue,
St. Louis, Mo.,
U. S. A.

Dear Eric,

I am so grateful for your kind letter of March 10th. with all the details you give me about Burdette's sudden end, as also regarding the provisions of his will. It is very good of you to "put me in the picture", as the Army expression goes. It is equally difficult for me to realize that Burdette has gone, and I sometimes feel it is only a bad dream, for in the normal course of events it was to be expected that our pleasant partnership would have lasted for many years more, and I know how interested, and indeed pleased, he was with this London venture. The one ray of consolation is that his end came so suddenly; I can imagine no man to whom it would have been more of a torture to have to endure a long-drawn illness.

It is indeed fortunate that, through the vicissitudes of Army life, Mary Cruzan was able to spend those many weeks with him so recently, as it not only gave him much pleasure, but also he was able to brief her in case anything happened to him. I believe I also have met Mary Sheffield if she formerly lived in or near Evanston, Illinois.

I can well imagine that there are many problems to tackle before you and Mr. Gessler can see your way clear ahead. And Probate administration - in

all countries - always takes time. It is interesting to know that the business will be carried on, and I agree with you that the estate will be far better served if the stock is disposed of in the normal course of business rather than if liquidated quickly in bulk. Regarding your suggestion of my handling the Brand merchandise either in whole or in part, I think that, in spite of exchange controls, it is quite possible that I could handle certain portions of it, as also some portions of the Company's stock, more advantageously in Europe than you could in America. I refer particularly to the following series:-

Ancient Greek and Roman
English, Irish, Scottish, Anglo-Gallic
Portuguese and Brazilian
Swiss and French
Large 10 ducat pieces in the finest condition.

I have a market for all these series in Switzerland and Sweden - both countries with "hard" currencies - and my proposition would be to transport selected portions to Switzerland and sell them there against Swiss francs which can be readily converted into dollars. This would not contravene existing British Finance Regulations, as the whole transaction would take place outside the country. In addition, in the latest communication I have received from the Import Licensing Department of the Board of Trade, the probability of granting me a Bulk Import Licence for coins to be re-exported is foreshadowed. This would

Mr. Eric P. Newman,

17th. March, 1947.

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tie up with the Bulk Export Licence I already hold, and even make it possible to handle some of these transactions through London.

I admit this is looking ahead, but it answers your question, and may prove of use to you in some of your decisions. I agree with you that a visit at the moment would be premature, but if in due course you consider allowing me to handle any merchandise along the lines suggested above, I think you will agree that a visit would be of advantage to settle the details to the satisfaction of all parties, as well as to make the necessary selection.

As suggested, I now return the unused cheques as follows:-

Nos 6450 to 6454 inclusive	= 5 @ \$500 each.
6456 and 6457	= 2 @ \$1000 each.

All the others shewn on the memorandum of August 24th. 1945 have been accounted to Mr. Johnson, and shewn on the credit side of the various Statements of accounts furnished. I am preparing a Statement of the current account as at February 24th. 1947 which I imagine you will need. As regards the so-called "Horace" consignment, this merchandise of course belongs to Mr. Johnson and has been treated as still "on consignment", though I have sent quarterly returns shewing what had been sold out of it. The reason for treating it as "on consignment" in its entirety is in order to await the decision of the British Government on the convertibility of Sterling for current transactions. If as is believed this decision will be promulgated in June next, I shall endeavour to bring it in as a current transaction, since none of it has been actually shewn as "bought" by the London Company. In accordance with Burdette's wish, frequently expressed, the proceeds of these sales have been ploughed back into other coins, as he was most insistent that the sterling should not be kept in the

Bank but that his interests should be safeguarded by re-investment in coins, since a change in the dollar-sterling parity would be reflected in the value of the coins. Thus when the time comes, the actual cash can be realised by sales of coins.

As to funds for the purpose of sending coins to America, I do not require any at the moment as there is still a credit balance in Mr. Johnson's favour which can be so utilised. And besides I imagine that you would prefer to straighten out the present affairs of the Company before making further purchases, and I shall await your further instructions on this point before shipping anything. That is why when I had a chance to cancel the sale to the St. Louis Company of two S. American gold coins Mr. Johnson had agreed to buy, I did so (by cable) as I did not want to embarrass you. I agree with you that the coin market has slipped in your country but I think this applies more to a group of New York dealers who had inflated prices of U.S. coins beyond all reason. I do not think this applies in like measure to non-U.S. coins, and the market here, which never showed such spectacular rises, has equally not been influenced in any downward direction, especially as there has never been any real demand here for rare U.S. coins.

I am very grateful to you for arranging for the wreath, which I shall be glad to settle for with you in due course. And I am so grateful to you for your kind interest in my business; now that Burdette has gone I do value this more than I can say, and you may count on my whole-hearted co-operation with you. I see no reason why the business here should not continue to be successful; ever since my move to Piccadilly there has been an upward tendency in the volume of business transacted, and an expansion of new accounts.

I apologize for the length of this letter, but I felt I ought to write as fully and as frankly as

Mr. Eric P. Newman,

17th. March, 1947.

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you have done to me.

With kindest personal regards,

Yours ever sincerely,

Lincoln

AIR MAIL

May 6th, 1947

Col. Leonard S. Forrer
175 Piccadilly
London, W. 1. England

Dear Leonard:

We have been busily engaged in checking all of the Brand material and separating the coins belonging to Mr. Johnson's Estate so that we could make an inventory.

I had a long talk with Mrs. Jane B. Allen who is one of the Executrices of the estate of Armin W. Brand and who also owns a substantial quantity of coins herself. Due to Mr. Johnson's expression of confidence in you, she discussed with us the problem as to what she should do with all of the coins she has to dispose of. We explained to her that we thought you would be in a position to handle a number of them through Switzerland and stated that you might come to this country if it appeared advisable. She said if you did she certainly wanted to have a talk with you. Her name and address is as follows:

Mrs. John P. Allen
485 Park Avenue
New York 22, N.Y.

Her coins for the present are being left in St. Louis. She is going to have a baby in about five months.

I merely wish to give you the general picture of the matter so that you have additional information and can do what appears best.

Mr. Johnson's estate will, of course, have for sale many coins which you may be in a position to handle but there will be some delay before we can ascertain whether we should send them out of this country.

I am going on a vacation to Peru and will be back about June 1st. I will then earnestly get into the question of selling the coins belonging to Mr. Johnson's estate and would appreciate your advice as to any suggestions you may have.

I am sure you realize all of the complications in probate matters and that we have had little or no time to think of conducting business in the ordinary course.

With kindest personal regards,

Sincerely yours,

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9th. May, 1947.

Mr. Eric P. Newman,
C/o St. Louis Stamp & Coin, Co.,
408 Olive Street,
St. Louis, Mo.,
U. S. A.

air mail

received 5/14/47

Dear Eric,

Thank you very much for your kind
letter F-46 of May 6th. which I have just received.

I am very grateful to you for talking
the matter over with Mrs. Jane B. Allen and I have
written to her outlining what I feel I shall be able
to do, as well as suggesting coming over in mid-July.
I have suggested that time for several reasons, partly
because it is our slack time over here, partly because
I do not want to embarrass Mrs. Allen too near her
time and partly because you will then have been back
some weeks from your vacation, so that probably the
Probate matters will have been straightened out more
than they are now. I would plan to spend a few days
in New York before coming out to see you in St. Louis
so that I should have had the advantage of talking
things over with Mrs. Allen before I see you.

One of the things I have written to
her is that I have authority to buy the whole of the
Swiss coins of the Brand collection, whether held by
Mrs. Allen or the estate of the St. Louis Stamp & Coin
Co., payment to be made by the Vice-President of one
of your well-known banks. This, as you see, is already
quite a good start and there are many other lines of
approach I can discuss with you also.

Mr. Eric P. Newman,

9th. May, 1947.

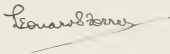
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With regard to the coins belonging to Mr. Johnson's estate, it is difficult for me to give you any advice at long range, as it really is necessary for me to have a better idea of what material is available. Broadly speaking, I would suggest that the U.S. coins should be sold in the U.S. possibly the South American also, whilst the European coins should be sold over in this part of the world. Provided that payment is made in U.S. dollars, I should imagine that your Treasury would have no objections, the only complication arising being the need for an export licence for gold coins. This takes a little time, as I know already, but is not usually refused.

I quite understand all the complications that arise in Probate matters, and that these things cannot be hurried, so that I think my suggestion of coming over in mid-July is probably the best one that can be made, and once I have seen the material I shall be able to give you further advice.

With kindest personal regards,

Yours sincerely,



AIR MAIL

June 20th, 1947

Col. Leonard S. Forrer
175 Piccadilly
London, W. 1, England

Dear Col. Forrer:

Mr. Newman told me that any time this summer you wish to come to this country the executors will be glad to see you and if either of the beneficiaries of Mr. Johnson's estate are available we are sure they will also be happy to see you. Please be sure to let us know as soon as the date of your leaving is ascertained.

Mr. Newman feels that your trip should be justified by the contact we have made for you with the Brand Estate. Whatever can be worked out as to our mutual problems will be just that much more accomplished.

Looking forward to seeing you soon
and with best regards,

Sincerely yours,

Secretary to the Executors

408 Pine *****

air mail

Col. Leonard S. Forrer
175 Piccadilly
London, W. 1, England

Dear Col. Forrer:

We are glad to hear that all of your arrangements are completed for coming to St. Louis and will expect to hear from you from the Biltmore Hotel in New York after you reach the U.S. Mr. Newman presumes that you are bringing with you up-to-date reports as to all matters of mutual interest. We note that you expect to leave London July 18th and arrive in St. Louis on or about July 25th. There should be no difficulty in obtaining a hotel reservation for you in St. Louis and we will do so promptly upon hearing from you the exact date and time of your arrival.

Mary Cruzan is in town at present but she and her husband will be leaving sometime next for Georgia where he has recently been transferred. *with*

Looking forward to seeing you again
and with best regards,

Sincerely yours,

Hotel Suisse,

Montreux.

June 28th 1944.

Dear Mr. Bryant.

Thank you very much for your kind letter of June 20th which has been forwarded to me here where I am staying partly on vacation and partly on business. I was so rushed before leaving London that I did not manage to write either to you or to Mr. Newman as I had intended. My air passage is definitely fixed for July 18th and I shall arrive in New York on Saturday July 19th. I am to see Mr. Allen in Long Island on July 22nd so that I plan to come to St. Louis about July 25th and as my return passage is not booked until August 1st this should give me plenty of time.

In New York I shall be staying at the Biltmore, and I shall write to you definitely from there as to the exact day of my arrival in St. Louis. Will it be difficult to procure a hotel reservation, and can you suggest in which

Hotel - I moved stuff.

Please reply to London as usual, I shall be back there in a week's time.

One of the reasons for my stay in England is that I had to make certain business arrangements in advance so that I should be able to travel satisfactorily to the Continent as to matters of business. I am happy to say that there will be no difficulty on that score.

I am much obliged to hearing from you, and with kind regards.

Yours sincerely

Edmund Turner

Mrs Josephine Bryant,
Phoenix Stamp & Co in Co
Kansas Mo.

Dr. Werner Oswald

Switzerland

COPY

<u>BASLE</u>			
(1750)	Double ducat. Unc.	55 00	2
"	1/2 ducat. Brill.pr.	23 50	15
"	" " " " v.fine	12 50	5
"	" " " " " "	10 00	5
(1790)	Ducat. Liberty cap on pole		
	Brill.pr.	30 00	6

1600	Berne. Pfennig in gold. Solid		
	and very rare. Unc.	15 00	5
(1700)	Baselmunster 1/2 crown or 4		
	ducats in gold. V.fine	150 00	
1751	Constance. Ducat. V.fine		
	Brill.pr.	35 50	
1633	Schaffhausen. Ducat. V.fine		
	"	60 00	
1743	Unterwalden. Ducat. Unc.	60 00	

<u>ZURICH</u>			
1671	1/2 ducat. Unc.	12 50	
1709	" " "	5 00	
1714	" " Brill.pr.	7 50	
1721	Ducat. Proof	30 00	
1739	1/2 ducat. Unc.	12 50	
1741	" " "	12 50	
"	" " Brill.pr.	6 00	
1753	" " Unc.	6 00	
1756	" " "	12 50	
1761	Ducat. "	30 00	
"	" " "	12 50	

<u>BASLE</u>			
Abt. 1600	Ducat. V.fine; v.rare	50 00	
(1700)	Ducat. Unc.	35 00	
"	" " "	40 00	
(1750)	" " "	35 00	
(1790)	" Liberty cap on pole		
	Unc.	30 00	
(1700)	" Unc.	40 00	

1789	Solothurn. 1/2 duplone. Brill.pr.	25 00	
"	" " " " "	25 00	
1649	Zurich. 1/2 ducat. Unc., brill.	12 50	
		<u>\$890.00</u>	

Net Sales Price - \$783.66

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R. L.S. Forrer

175 Piccadilly, London, England

BASLE

1) 1410-37 Ducat in name of Emperor

Sigismund. V. fine mlox

4) (1475) Gold gulden. V. fine mlox

3) (1480) Ducat. Unc. biox

4) Abt. 1600 Ducat. V. fine; v. rare

5) (1700) Ducat. Unc. ocox

6) " " " onlx

7) " " " onlx

8) (1750) " " mlox

9) " " moue

10) " Double ducat. Unc. lxcm

11) " Ducat. Unc. bixm

12) " Gold ducat. Bril. pr. moue

13) " " " " and

14) " very rare mlox

15) (1790) 1/2 ducat. Bril. pr. bfox

16) Ducat. Liberty cap on pole mlox

17) Abt. 1790 Ducat. Liberty cap on

Pole. Bril. pr. mlox

BERNE

17) 1494 Splendid crown with very early

date. Unc., steel color. ooxa

18) (1600) pfennig in gold. Unc., but

holed and v. rare boue

19) Abt. 1700 Beromünster. 1/2 crown or

4 ducats in gold. V. fine

ex. rare, traces of

mounting on top as usual

ulox

20) 1761 Constance. Ducat. Bril. pr.

and very rare mlox

21) 1699 Lucerne. Superb double crown

Unc., bril. A gem coin; ex.

rare blux

22) 1713 Neufchatel. Broad crown of

Frederick III. of Prussia as

Prince of Neufchatel. V. fine

moxh

23) 1633 Schaffhausen. Ducat. V. fine

v. rare ocox

SOLOTHURN

24) 1789 1/2 duplone. Bril. pr. mlox

25) 1789 " " " " mlox

26) 1743 Unterwalden. Ducat. Unc. ooxa

60 00

ZURICH

27) 1649 ducat. Unc., bril. bcox

12 50

28) 1671 " " " lnx

12 50

29) 1709 " " " lxm

6 00

30) 1714 " " Bril. pr. oec

7 50

31) 1721 Ducat. Pr. mlox

30 00

32) 1734 ducat. Pr. oec

5 00

33) " " Unc., bril. cmx

12 50

34) 1739 " " " nxm

12 50

35) 1741 " " Unc. lxm

12 50

36) " " v. bril. oec

6 00

37) 1745 " " bril. noe

12 50

38) 1745 " " " oec

6 00

39) " " Pr. lxm

7 50

40) 1753 " " Unc. lxm

6 00

41) 1756 " " bril. nxm

12 50

42) 1761 Ducat. Unc. moue

30 00

43) " ducat. Unc., bril. oec

12 50

10% discount

133.15

\$1196.35

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Dr. W. L. OSWALD

ZÜRICH, August 10, 1948.
BAHNHOFSTR. 12 - TEL. 271150

Mister
Eric P. Newman
c/o The St. Louis Stamp & Coin Co.
408 Pine Street
St. Louis Mo.
USA

Dear Sir,


At the 15th of April I have sent you a letter and I am sorry not having received an answer. Enclosed please find a copy of this.

In the meantime I had the opportunity to get information about Mr. Forrer in London. As a consequence of this I repeat my offer to buy the other 15-20 gold coins at the prices of your last list.

As mentioned in my first letter, will you please forward the coins to Mr. Alfred W. Barth, first Vice-President of the Chase National Bank, New York, who knows about that.

Awaiting your news, I remain, dear Sir,

Yours faithfully



Encl.

C o p y

St. Louis Stamp & Coin Co.
403 Pine Street
St. Louis Mo. USA

Dear Sir,

I received a little while ago through the Chase National Bank, New York the gold coins which I ordered you last autumn. All coins are well arrived.

The list handing me over by Mr. Forrer in London, contains moreover 15-20 other gold coins. Provided that you possess still these coins, I would like to acquire them to conditions of the mentioned list. If possible would you kindly forward them to Mr. Alfred W. Barth, 1st Vice-President of the Chase National Bank, New York, who will pay for me.

I point to the fact that I am interested only in Swiss gold coins and not in any other silver coins.

I remain, dear Sir

Yours faithfully

The Chase National Bank

OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK

PINE STREET CORNER OF NASSAU
NEW YORK 18 N. Y.
FOREIGN DEPARTMENT

CABLE ADDRESS: CHASEBANK

New York

November 13, 1947

IN REPLYING PLEASE REFER TO

2-45-KOS

Mr. Eric P. Newman,
c/o St. Louis Stamp & Coin Company,
406 Pine Street,
St. Louis, Missouri.

Dear Mr. Newman:

We are calling upon you for a special favor. In order to permit Mr. Alfred W. Barth, Vice President of our Bank, to forward the coin collection which you delivered to him to Dr. Werner L. Oswald in Switzerland, an export permit will be necessary and in order for us to make proper application, we should be very much obliged if you would forward to us a list, giving a description of the coins so that we may include such description in our application for license. We thank you in anticipation for your kindness in furnishing us with such a descriptive list.

Awaiting the pleasure of your reply, we remain

Yours sincerely,


Kenneth C. Spinning
Assistant Cashier

November 17th, 1947

Mr. Kenneth C. Spinning
Chase National Bank
Pine St. cor. of Nassau
New York 15, N.Y.

INRE: 2-45-KOS

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of November 15th,
I am sorry to say the Mr. Newman is out of town at
present and is not expected back until the end of
the week at which time your letter will be given
his immediate attention and the list necessary for
export permit sent to you.

Very truly yours,

ST. LOUIS STAMP & COIN CO.

By Secretary to the Executors

November 25th, 1947

Mr. Kenneth O. Spinning
Chase National Bank
New York 15, N.Y.

INRE: 2-45-KOS

Dear Sir:

We herewith enclose the list of coins sold
to Dr. Werner L. Oswald and regret the delay which
was necessitated by Mr. Newman being out of town all
of last week.

Very truly yours,

ST. LOUIS STAMP & COIN CO.

By

Secretary to the Executors

Enc.

November 25th, 1947

LIST OF COINS SENT TO MR. WERNER OSWALD

BASLE

(1750) Double Ducat. Unc.
 " $\frac{1}{2}$ ducat. Brill. pr.
 " $\frac{1}{4}$ " " " very rare
 " " " " " "
 (1790) Ducat. Liberty cap on pole, Brill.pr.
 1600 Berne. Pfennig in gold. Holed and very rare. Unc.
 (1700) Beromünster $\frac{1}{2}$ crown or 4 ducats in gold. V.fine
 1751 Constance. Ducat. V.rare. Brill.proof
 1633 Schaffhausen. Ducat. V.rare; v.fine
 1743 Unterwalden. Ducat. Unc.

ZURICH

1671 $\frac{1}{2}$ ducat. Unc.
 1709 $\frac{1}{4}$ " "
 1714 " " Brill.pr.
 1721 Ducat. Pr.
 1739 $\frac{1}{2}$ ducat. Unc.
 1741 " " "
 " $\frac{1}{4}$ " Brill.pr.
 1703 " " Unc.
 1756 $\frac{1}{2}$ " "
 1761 Ducat. "
 " $\frac{1}{4}$ " "

BASLE

Abt. 1600 Ducat. V.fine; v.rare
 (1700) Ducat. Unc.
 " " "
 (1750) " "
 (1790) " Liberty cap on pole. Unc.
 (1700) " Unc.

1789 Solothurn. $\frac{1}{2}$ duplone. Brill.pr.
 " " " " "
 1649 Zurich. $\frac{1}{2}$ ducat. Unc., brill.

BASLE

1640 Ducat. Fine
 1700 $\frac{1}{2}$ " V.fine
 (1750) Ducat. Brill.pr.
 " " Unc.
 " $\frac{1}{4}$ " Brill.pr.
 1790 Ducat. Liberty cap. Brill.pr.
 1697 Berne. Ducat. V.fine
 (1825) " Medal for bravery. Brill.pr.
 1568 Geneva. Pistolet. Unc.
 1576 " " "

#2

1730	Unterwalden.	Ducat.	V.fine
1662	Zurich.	$\frac{1}{2}$ ducat.	Unc.
1712	"	$\frac{1}{8}$ "	Bril.pr.
Abt. 1480	Basle.	Ducat.	Unc.
1500	Basle.	Ducat.	V.fine
1600	"	"	"
1700	"	"	Unc.
1750	"	"	"
1795	"	Duplone.	Unc.
1789	Solothurn.	$\frac{1}{8}$ Duplone.	Bril.pr.
"	"	"	"
"	"	"	"
1677	Zurich.	$\frac{1}{8}$ ducat.	Unc.
1720	"	"	Pr.
1725	"	"	V.fine
1736	"	"	Unc.
1748	"	Ducat.	V.fine
1751	"	$\frac{1}{2}$ "	"
1753	"	"	Unc.
1767	"	$\frac{1}{2}$ "	"



M. r. L.S. Forrer

175 Piccadilly, London, England

TO ST. LOUIS STAMP & COIN CO. Dr.



B. G. JOHNSON, Prop.

408 OLIVE STREET

*These Goods Are Sent on Consignment and Approval and the Title in the Consignor Does Not Pass Until They Are Paid For.*Coin NumbersWOODS

1	1722	Harp. to left. Farthing.		
		Bril. proof; v. rare	boexc	125 00
2	"	1/2 penny. Harp to left.		
		Bril. pr.	buex	50 00
3	1723	" " In silver. Ex-		
		cessively rare.		
			bnxcm	150 00
4	1724	" " Pattern. In copper		
		With date under Hibernia.		
		Only 3 or 4 known. Bril. pr.		
			bexcm	150 00

ROSA AMERICANA

5	(1717)	Pattern 1/2 penny. Crosby		
		Plate III-13, who says -		
		"Of the greatest rarity		
		no duplicate being known"		
		This coin shows much wear		
		from circulation but never-		
		the less is one of the very		
		rarest American Colonial		
		pieces.	moex	50 00
6	1717	Penny. Rev., crowned 1		
		Not in Crosby. Fine	buexc	300 00
7	"	Penny Pattern. Crosby III-12		
		Proof, excessively rare.		
		From the Newcomer-Green Coll.		
			mexco	400 00
8	(1722)	1/2 penny Pattern. In brass		
		Britannia. Rev. seated left		
		From Newcomer-Green		
		Collection.	moex	50 00
9	(1722)	Penny. The excessively		
		rare piece with Rose bush		
		on reverse. Crosby III-16		
		V. fine From the Newcomer-		
		Green Collection.	mexc	500 00
10	1733	2 pence. Obv., only, struck		
		in steel. V. fine	oxcm	60 00
				\$1815 00

10% discount

181 50
<hr/> 1633 50

July 29, 1947

Mr. Leonard S. Forrer
175 Piccadilly W.1
London, England

Dear Leonard:

I am herewith giving you a 1639 Sweden Christina crown for Riga, which is in very fine condition and is a duplicate of mine. It is certainly worth \$75.00, and if you care to dispose of it for me you may have your 10% commission plus anything else you can get for it.

Sincerely yours,

Eine

EPN/me

Received personally
Leonard S. Forrer

Returned
2/17/49
SP45

July 29, 1947

Mr. Leonard S. Forrer
175 Picadilly W.1
London, England

Dear Leonard:

I have the following Swiss coins which I do not need in my collection, and you indicated you would like to sell them for me or exchange them for something I might wish. Their value is set forth below, and if you sell them for me I will expect you to have a 10% commission.

Abt. 1480 Basle, Ducat, Uncirculated,	\$ 20.00
1500 Basle, Ducat, Very fine	17.50
1600 Basle, Ducat, Very fine, rare	50.00
1640 Basle, Ducat with erroneous inscription BASILIENSIS, Fine and extremely rare	75.00
1700 Basle, $\frac{1}{2}$ Ducat, Very fine	15.00
- 1700 Basle, Ducat, Very fine	25.00
1700 Basle, Ducat, Uncirculated	40.00
Abt. 1750 Basle, Ducat, Brilliant proof	35.00
1750 Basle, Ducat, Uncirculated	35.00
1750 Basle, Ducat of a rare type, Uncirculated	30.00
- 1750 Basle, Ducat, Very fine	30.00
1750 Basle, $\frac{1}{2}$ Ducat, Brilliant proof	15.00
1790 Basle, Ducat, Reverse Liberty, Cap Brilliant proof	35.00
1795 Basle, Duplone, Uncirculated	40.00
1697 Berne, Ducat, Very fine	40.00
Abt. 1825 Berne, Splendid gold medal given for bravery, Brilliant proof	100.00
1568 Geneva Gold pistolet, Uncirculated, Brilliant	75.00
1576 Geneva, Pistolet, Uncirculated	75.00
1789 Solothurn, $\frac{1}{2}$ Duplone, Brilliant proof	25.00
1789 Solothurn, $\frac{1}{2}$ Duplone, Brilliant proof	25.00
1789 Solothurn, $\frac{1}{2}$ Duplone, Brilliant proof	25.00
1730 Unterwalden, Ducat, Very fine	50.00
- 1649 Zurich, $\frac{1}{2}$ Ducat, Uncirculated	12.50
1662 Zurich, $\frac{1}{2}$ Ducat, Uncirculated, brilliant	12.50
1677 Zurich, $\frac{1}{2}$ Ducat, Uncirculated, brilliant	12.50
1712 Zurich, $\frac{1}{2}$ Ducat, Brilliant proof	7.50

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Mr. Leonard S. Forrer

July 29, 1947

1720	Zurich, 1/2 Ducat, Proof	\$ 12.50
1725	Zurich, 1/2 Ducat, Very fine	10.00
- 1727	Zurich, 1/2 Ducat, Uncirculated	6.00
- 1730	Zurich, 1/2 Ducat, Very fine	5.00
- 1730	Zurich, 1/2 Ducat, Very fine	5.00
1736	Zurich, 1/2 Ducat, Uncirculated	12.50
1748	Zurich, 1/2 Ducat, Very fine	25.00
- 1748	Zurich, 1/2 Ducat, Uncirculated, very brilliant	6.00
1751	Zurich, 1/2 Ducat, Very fine	10.00
1753	Zurich, 1/2 Ducat, Uncirculated, brilliant	12.50
1767	Zurich, 1/2 Ducat, Uncirculated	6.00
- 1706	Zurich 1/2 Verne Medal of double ducat size, Struck at Venice to commemorate the alliance between Venice and the Two Swiss Cantons, Uncirculated, and rare	75.00.
		<hr/> \$1,108.00

Sincerely yours,

EFM/me

P.S. The above coins are to be sold as a group and not individually selected.

The BILTMORE

FRANK W. REGAN, PRESIDENT
JOHN G. HORSMAN, MANAGER



MADISON AVENUE AT 43RD STREET

New York City
TELEPHONE - MURRAY HILL 9-7320

ADJOINING GRAND CENTRAL

July 31st 1947.

Dear Eric,

I arrived on time here this afternoon, albeit a little hot as the air conditioning in my car broke down! I want to take the first opportunity of writing to thank both Mr. Newman and you for all your kindness to me during my short stay in your city. It was a bit strange being reminded of Mr. Johnson at every turn and yet his not being there, but your kindness and solicitude made all the difference and I may truly say that I really enjoyed my stay — and am already looking forward to the next time.

I found a telephone message awaiting me asking me to visit Mr. Allen on Tuesday August 5th. So that is now definite.

With again so many thanks,

Yours very sincerely
Leonard

The
BILTMORE

FRANK W. REGAN, PRESIDENT
JOHN G. HORSMAN, MANAGER



MADISON AVENUE AT 43RD STREET

New York City
TELEPHONE - MURRAY HILL 9-7920

August 6th 1947

Dear Eric,

I spent a very pleasant evening with Mr. & Mrs. Allen who were most kind to me. The swim in the ocean was perfect!

You were quite right in your surmise that this was only a preliminary survey, and that the baby comes first. I shall have to come again, probably next spring, and go through the whole outfit when I shall be in a much better position to advise. My general impression was that they were not displeased with me in any way, and that the thought of some one person they could trust who would channel the sale along its various furrows was what they had in mind, and that I filled the bill. So there is nothing further to be done at present.

You will be interested to hear that I was asked whether Mr. Green of Chicago was

to the arrangements or no? My reply (based
on poor estimate of him) was that as far as
I know he was quite straight BUT that he
was a friend of Horan's and that they
would find McGinn a very poor man, a
thief, hanging around waiting for
something, taking that as a sign that
he would hear them out. Was I right?
Whether he is now "out" as far as they are
concerned.

I may have to return those Colomine patterns
before I leave. One customer is that I should
have turned them down flat and I now await
a reply to a cable. If there is no chance of
doing anything with them I would rather
return them at once than take them back up.
I hope you do not mind; I was not too sure
of their buyers.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely
Horan -

McEneaney P. Newman.

The BILTMORE

FRANK W. REGAN, PRESIDENT
JOHN G. HORSMAN, MANAGER



ADJOINING GRAND CENTRAL

MADISON AVENUE AT 43RD STREET

New York City
TELEPHONE - MURRAY HILL 9-7920

August 8th 1947.

Dear Mr. Newman, - I mean Eric!

As I rather feared I have now received a letter from my other customers declining to be interested in these Colonials and rather than take them across I am returning them to-day by courtesy of Mr. Schulman.

I am off to-morrow.

With kind regards

Yours very Sincerely
Ronald

L. S. FORRER LTD.

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LSF/EM

11th. August, 1947.

Mr. Eric P. Newman,
C/o St. Louis Stamp & Coin Co.,
408 Pine Street,
St. Louis, Mo.,
U. S. A.

Dear Eric,

You will be glad to hear that I had an excellent journey back and no troubles of any kind.

I shall be writing to you again as soon as I have been able to go over to Switzerland, probably towards the end of this month. This is just to let you know of my safe arrival as also, to ask you if it would be possible for you to send me details of the books which I purchased from you. I should also be extremely grateful if you could despatch the Heiss and the Hoffmann in advance of the remainder, as this would be of considerable assistance to me.

As you can imagine, I found a good deal of work here, so that it may be a few days before I can do the division of the Horace lot and attend to the coins I am to send to you.

With many thanks for your kindness to me during my stay,

Yours sincerely,

AUG 18 1947



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26th August 1947

Mr Eric P. Newman,
St. Louis Stamp & Coin Co.,
408 Pine Street,
ST. LOUIS, Mo.,
U.S.A.

Dear Eric,

I am slowly catching up the backlog of work;
it is surprising how it accumulates!

First of all I have checked those discrepancies
you pointed out to me, and here are the answers:-

No.	Query	Reply
210	0.75 should be 2.50	No. on my invoice B.G.J. altered 210 to 0.75 and 211 to 2.50. I suppose he meant to alter the carbon but did not.
717	25.00 should be 35.00	Yes, Sorry.
974	30.00 " " 40.00	Yes, ditto!
1033	1.00 " " 7.00	Yes, but there are 4 coins and only one is sold. I have split the lot as to the Proof \$4 and the other three \$1 each.
463	0.40 " " 0.35	Yes.

(continued)

Mr Eric P. Newman

26th August 1947

<u>No.</u>	<u>Query</u>	<u>Reply</u>
911.	0.20 should be 3.00	Yes, but only 1 coin sold out of 15 for 3.00 = 0.20 each.
430.	0.25 " " 0.40	Yes.

Out of this arises that the amount sold should be increased by 20.15 less -.05 = ~~\$~~20.10. This increases the figure of ~~\$~~7157.85 as at 30th June to ~~\$~~7177.95 with which I trust you will agree.

I am leaving for Switzerland on September 7th and will report on what I have done as soon as I get there. It is my intention to settle the actual current account debt during that week, as agreed.

Further I have now sorted out the coins you asked me to send you, and I append a list of these which corresponds with yours except in the following particulars:-

- 255. Elizabeth 1576 6d. I have been unable to trace this; it is just possible it was sold "over the counter" by one of my secretaries, and not entered. I will take this over as sold.
- 614. Henry VII. Groats. 1 is sold at 2.00 I have therefore included the remaining 3 at 5.50.
- 918. James I Shillings 2 sold at ~~\$~~2.00 the other 2 included at ~~\$~~2.00.
- 1021. George III 1804 B/E Dollar. Sold during my absence.

I have selected No. 1425 Charles I Pontefract Siege 1/- as being a truly splendid and representative piece, and I am including a 1653 Commonwealth Crown at £10. or ~~\$~~40.00 instead of its ticket price of £11.10. -. Against this latter I will select the same amount plus 10% = \$44 from your coins as soon as I have split the lot. This I will try and do as soon as possible.

(continued)

Mr Eric P. Newman.

26th August 1947

As I have sold one or two other coins out of this Horace lot; I suggest sending you a statement at the end of this month (August) and let the division start as of 1st September. In it I will include the missing lot 255, and the part lots 614 and 918. These lots with more than one coin have been a real nuisance, as I have not always shewn 1 coin out of 4 or more sold in the hope that I might sell the other 3 and shew the whole lot as sold. This will check however with the notes I have kept, but it still is a nuisance!

I am sending the coins in 2 lots, accompanied by the invoices of which I enclose copies for your use. As you see I have re-arranged the coins chronologically, and kept each invoice under \$100 (£25) so as to avoid your having all the nuisance of Consular Invoices. I will post the earlier coins to-day, and the second lot next week. I shall be glad if you will kindly acknowledge receipt.

With kind regards

Yours very sincerely


Leonard S. Forrer.

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408 Pine Street
St. Louis, Mo.

26th August 1947

English Coins.

			s.	s.	d.
396	AETHELRED II of Northumbria	841-9 Sceat		5	-
1447	Wessex. ALFRED	871-900 Penny of Canterbury		10	-
1470	"	" Penny of London	1	10	-
6	AETHELRED II	979-1016 Penny of Southwark		10	-
757	"	Penny of Exeter		10	-
1206	CNUT	1016-35 Penny of York		15	-
429	EDWARD CONFESSOR	1042-66 Penny of Steyning		17	6
748	WILLIAM I	1066-87 Penny of Wallingford		17	6
764	HENRY I	1100-35 Penny of Winchester		10	-
781	STEPHEN	1135-50 Penny of St. Edmundsbury		12	6
772	HENRY VI	1422-61 Groat of Calais		15	-
614	HENRY VII	1485-1509 Groats (3)	1	7	6
615	HENRY VIII	1509-47 Groat, 1st issue		7	6
1352	EDWARD VI	1547-53 Shilling 3rd period		10	-
1304	"	Sixpence "		7	6
129	MARY	1553-4 Groat		5	-
710	ELIZABETH	1601 Crown i.m.1	5	-	-
1225	"	1601 Halfcrown i.m.1	3	10	-
912	"	1558-1603 $\frac{1}{2}$ Groats (2)		5	-
918	JAMES I	1603-25 Shillings (2)		10	-
632	"	Penny, 2nd coinage		3	-
634	"	$\frac{1}{2}$ d 1st coinage		4	6
635	CHARLES I	1633-4 Tower 2/6	1	5	-
973	"	1645-6 " 2/6 Parliamentary issue	1	12	6
			323	-	-

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English Coins

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423	CHARLES I	1636-8 Tower 1/-		7	6
1425	"	1648 Pontefract Siege Shilling	4	10	-
1432	COMMONWEALTH	1652 2/6	3	10	-
1153	"	1652 1/-		7	6
922	"	1649-60 1/2d (4)		10	-
699	JAMES II	1686 Crown	1	5	-
690	"	1686 2/6	1	-	-
276	WILLIAM III	1696 Crown	1	-	-
695	"	1697 2/6		17	6
1298	"	1696 6d		3	6
269	"	1697 6d		3	6
1316	GEORGE II	1746 Leina Crown	3	-	-
724	GEORGE III	c/m 1/2 peso 1773	1	5	-
832	"	c/m 1/2 peso 1784	1	-	-
596	WILLIAM IV	1836 Groat		2	-
A COMMONWEALTH 1653 Crown			5	-	-

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		<u>£</u>	<u>C.</u>
6	AETHELRED II 979-1016 Penny of Southwark	2.	75
129	MARY 1553-4 Groat	5.	00
269	WILLIAM III 1697 6d 3rd bust	1.	25
276	" 1696 Crown 1st bust; early harp	1.	00
396	AETHELRED II of Northumbria 841-9 Sceat LEOFDEGN	1.	00
423	CHARLES I 1636-8 Tower 1/- i.m.tun	1.	50
429	EDWARD CONFESSOR 1042-66 Penny of Steyning	3.	50
596	WILLIAM IV 1836 Britannia Groat	.40	
614	HENRY VII 1485-1509 Groats - arched crown (3)	5.	50
615	HENRY VIII 1509-47 Groat 1st issue p.m.portcullis	7.	50
632	JAMES I 1603-25 Penny, 2nd coinage	.75	
634	" 1/2d, 1st coinage (1603-4)	3.	50
635	CHARLES I 1633-4 Tower Halfcrown, p.m.portcullis	5.	00
690	JAMES II 1686 Halfcrown, 1st bust	5.	00
695	WILLIAM III 1697 Halfcrown	3.	50
699	JAMES II 1686 Crown, 1st bust	5.	00
710	ELIZABETH 1601 Crown i.m.l, sceptre points to I	35.	00
724	GEORGE III 1/2 peso of Potosi 1773 with c/m	5.	00
749	WILLIAM I 1066-87 Penny of Wallingford SWERTLING	3.	50
757	AETHELRED II 979-1016 Penny of Exeter	3.	00
764	HENRY I 1100-35 Penny of Winchester	10.	00
772	HENRY VI 1422-61 Groat of Calais	3.	00
781	STEPHEN 1135-50 Penny of Bury St.Edmunds.Type I	12.	50
832	GEORGE III 1/2 peso of Potosi 1784 with c/m	4.	00
912	ELIZABETH 1558-1603 1/2 groat (2)	1.	25
918	JAMES I 1603-25 Shilling i.m.trefoil and lis (2)	2.	00
922	COMMONWEALTH 1649-60 1/2d (4)	5.	00
973	CHARLES I (Parliamentary period) 1645-6 Tower Halfcrown p.m.sun	7.	50
1153	COMMONWEALTH 1652 Shilling	7.	50
1206	CNUT 1016-35 Penny of York WITHRIN	3.	00
1225	ELIZABETH 1601 Halfcrown i.m.l	30.	00
1298	WILLIAM III 1696 6d 1st bust early harp	.75	
1304	EDWARD VI 1547-53 6d Third period i.m.tun	3.	00
1316	GEORGE II 1746 Crown, LIMA	12.	50
1352	EDWARD VI 1547-53 Shilling, 3rd period (1550-3) i.m.y	2.	00
1432	COMMONWEALTH 1652 Halfcrown. Small palm wreath	87.	50
1447	Wessex ALFRED 871-900 Penny of Canterbury CUTHBERT	10.	00
1470	Wessex ALFRED 871-900 Penny of London, with bust	75.	00
1425	CHARLES I 1648 Pontefract Siege Shilling lozenge shape	60.	00
	A COMMONWEALTH 1653 Crown £11.10.--. £10.--.		

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423	CHARLES I	1636-8 Tower 1/-		7	6
1425	"	1645 Monteferrat Siege Medal	4	10	-
1433	MONTEFERRAT	1682 2/6	3	10	-
1153	"	1653 1/-		7	6
532	"	1645-50 1d (4)		10	-
209	JAMES II	1686 Crown	1	0	-
200	"	1686 2/6	1	-	-
273	WILLIAM III	1686 Crown	1	-	-
253	"	1687 2/6		17	5
1398	"	1686 6d		3	6
244	"	1687 6d		3	6
1316	JAMES II	1745 Leina Crown	3	-	-
724	JAMES II	c/n 1/2 peso 1773	1	5	-
852	"	c/n 1/2 peso 1784	1	-	-
205	WILLIAM IV	1856 Great		2	-
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396	ÆTHELRED II of Northumbria 841-9 Sceat		5	-
1447	Æthelred 871-900 Penny of Canterbury		10	-
1470	" " Penny of London	1	10	-
6	ÆTHELRED II 879-1016 Penny of Southwark		10	-
757	" " Penny of Exeter		10	-
1306	Cnut 1016-35 Penny of York		15	-
439	EDWARD CONFESSOR 1042-66 Penny of Steyning		17	6
748	WILLIAM I 1066-87 Penny of Wallingford		17	6
764	HENRY I 1100-35 Penny of Winchester		10	-
781	STEPHEN 1138-55 Penny of St. Edmundsbury		12	6
772	HENRY VI 1422-61 Groat of Calais		15	-
614	HENRY VII 1485-1509 Groats (3)	1	7	6
615	HENRY VIII 1509-47 Groat, 1st issue		7	6
1392	EDWARD VI 1547-53 Shilling 3rd period		10	-
1394	" " Sixpence "		7	6
139	MARY 1555-4 Groat		5	-
710	ELIZABETH 1601 Crown i.m.1	5	-	-
1225	" " 1601 Halfcrown i.m.1	3	10	-
912	" " 1553-1603 ½ Groats (3)		5	-
918	JAMES I 1603-35 Shillings (3)		10	-
632	" " Penny, 2nd coinage		3	-
634	" " ½d 1st coinage		4	6
635	CHARLES I 1633-4 Tower 2/6	1	6	-
973	" " 1645-6 2/3 Parliamentary issue	1	12	6
			33	-

199	US Eagle 4f	25 £
1803	US Eagle 5xf	28 £
England 1814	Bristol Rose Noble	15 £
Genit III	Bygastine aureus	7 £
1824	Sardina 80 Lira	15 £
Caesar	B. 10	1 £ 7 sh
	2780	2 £
	C. 98	3 £ 10 sh
	C. 13 Mark Antony	5 £
	C. 6 Mark Antony	1 £
	C. 257 Caracalla	15 sh
1824	C. 156 Julia Domna	7 sh 5 f
1827	England 15 gold	10 £
	C. 35	12 sh

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28th August 1947

Mr Eric P. Newman,
Messrs Edison Brothers Stores Inc.,
315 Washington Avenue,
ST. LOUIS., Mo.,
U.S.A.

Dear Eric,

I have now heard from my customer with regard to the Swiss coins and unfortunately he is much disappointed in the material offered. He says he would have expected that in the Johnson stock there would have been a great deal more interesting material particularly as a good deal of what is represented both in Johnson's stock and the lot you shewed me is comparatively common and is on the market both here and in Switzerland. He further points out that the three silver coins (nos. 17, 21 and 22 of the St. Louis invoice) are very much higher priced than they would be in Switzerland. Under the circumstances he is afraid that he could not use the two lots as they are unless the price could be reduced to not more than 1800 dollars, (for the sake of comparison the St. Louis lot totals 1331.50 and yours 1108, making a total of 2439.50)

On the other hand he would be interested in taking parts of both lots and I have told him that although I do not think you will consent, I will in duty bound pass the decision to you. Attached you will find a list of the coins in which he would be interested, totalling 1259 dollars for which he is
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Mr Eric P. Newman

28th August 1947

for which he is /


prepared to give 1150 dollars. I have numbered your coins but as I have given full descriptions you will no doubt recognise them easily.

I should be glad if you will kindly let me know as soon as possible what your decision is, and of course as already mentioned, payment would be in dollars to you.

I am sorry that this deal has turned out in this way but of course I am tied by what my customer is prepared to do and I think probably the second proposition would be a more advantageous one from your point of view.

With kind regards.

Yours sincerely


Leonard S. Forrer

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SWISS COINS

From St. Louis Stamp & Coin Co.

					<u>A. C.</u>
10.	BASLE (1750)	Double Ducat		Unc.	65.00
12	" "	$\frac{1}{2}$ ducat		Br.Proof	22.50
13	" "	$\frac{1}{4}$ ducat	Very rare	" "	12.50
14	" "	"		" "	10.00
16	" (1790)	Ducat Liberty cap on pole			
				Br.Proof	30.00
18	BERNE (1600)	Pfennig in gold. Holed and			
		very rare		Unc.	15.00
19	BEROMUNSTER (1700)	$\frac{1}{4}$ crown or 4 ducats			
		in gold &c.		VF	150.00
20	CONSTANCE	1761 Ducat	Very rare	Br.Proof	32.50
23	SCHAFHAUSEN	1633 Ducat	Very rare	VF	60.00
26	UNTERWALDEN	1743 Ducat		Unc.	60.00
28	ZURICH	1671 $\frac{1}{2}$ ducat		Unc.	12.50
29	"	1709 $\frac{1}{4}$ ducat		Unc.	6.00
30	"	1714 $\frac{1}{4}$ ducat		Br.Proof	7.50
31	"	1721 Ducat		Proof	30.00
34	"	1739 $\frac{1}{2}$ ducat		Unc.	12.50
35	"	1741 $\frac{1}{2}$ ducat		Unc.	12.50
36	"	1741 $\frac{1}{2}$ ducat		Brill.	6.00
40	"	1753 $\frac{1}{2}$ ducat		Unc.	6.00
41	"	1756 $\frac{1}{2}$ ducat		Unc.	12.50
42	"	1761 Ducat		Unc.	30.00
43	"	1761 $\frac{1}{2}$ ducat		Unc.	12.50

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From Eric P. Newman

(4)	1640 Basle,	Ducat with erroneous inscr.	F.	75.00
(5)	1700 "	$\frac{1}{2}$ ducat	VF	15.00
(8)	(1750) "	Ducat	Br.Proof	35.00
(10)	(1750) "	Ducat of a rare type	Unc.	30.00
(12)	(1750) "	$\frac{1}{4}$ ducat	Br.Proof	15.00
(13)	1790 "	Ducat, rev. Liberty cap	Br.Proof	35.00
(15)	1697 Berne	Ducat	VF	40.00
(16)	(1825) "	Gold medal for bravery	Br.Proof	100.00
(17)	1568 GENEVA	Pistolet	Unc.	75.00
(18)	1576 "	"	Unc.	75.00
(22)	1730 UNTERWALDEN	Ducat	VF	50.00
(24)	1662 ZURICH	$\frac{1}{2}$ ducat	Unc.	12.50
(26)	1712 "	$\frac{1}{4}$ ducat	Br.Proof	7.50

C/fwd.

565.00

List of Coins

From Eric P. Newman.
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				B/fwd.	565.00
(27)	1730	ZURICH	$\frac{1}{2}$	ducat	Proof 12.50
(28)	1735	"	$\frac{1}{4}$	ducat	VF 10.00
(32)	1736	"	$\frac{1}{2}$	ducat	Unc 12.50
(33)	1748	"		Ducat	VF 25.00
(35)	1751	"	$\frac{1}{4}$	ducat	VF 10.00
(36)	1753	"	$\frac{1}{2}$	ducat	Unc 12.50
(37)	1767	"	$\frac{1}{4}$	ducat	Unc 5.00

653.50

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2nd September 1947

St. Louis Stamp & Coin Co.,
408, Pine Street,
ST. LOUIS, Mo.,
U.S.A.

Dear Sirs,

I have very carefully examined the FRANCIS I triple testoon and although it does look worn I am afraid that after detailed examination it proves to be undoubtedly a forgery. I do not know what the history of the coin is but by sheer coincidence I have discovered that this coin was submitted some time back to The Bibliothèque Nationale, who, after very careful investigation also came to the conclusion that it was false. In the circumstances, and until further light can be shown on the piece, I am afraid that it must be considered at least doubtful, if not worse. I admit that it is difficult to imagine why a forger should go to the trouble of cutting a die to strike one specimen, but as you know, the ways of forgers are beyond any explanation of ours.

There are two main considerations which condition my judgment. One is the surface which is anything but good and the other is the extremely poor style of the lettering which is most unusual for coins of that

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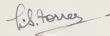
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period since French coinage was much under the influence of the Renaissance and usually the lettering is very much better.

I therefore return the coin to you and regret that my verdict on it cannot be more hopeful.

Yours faithfully,

For L. S. FORRER LTD.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'L.S. Forrer', with a horizontal line drawn underneath it.

Director.

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2nd September 1947

Mr Eric P. Newman,
St. Louis Stamp & Coin Co.,
408 Pine Street,
ST. LOUIS, Mo.,
U.S.A.

Dear Eric,

I am returning by sea-mail the triple testoon of FRANCIS I. It is accompanied by a letter pointing out that it is, in my opinion, a forgery, as this will prevent any trouble from the Customs. Unfortunately I am afraid that it is my opinion after examining the coin very carefully here. In addition I have discovered that the coin was sent to Rabel in Marseilles and that he, not being satisfied, submitted it to The Bibliothèque Nationale who definitely turned it down as not genuine. Under the circumstances, even if the coin were genuine, it would be impossible to sell, and as unfortunately now I have had the opportunity of comparing it with other coins of the same period, I think there is little doubt that the former owner was taken in. I have therefore crossed the coin off my Consignment Note although I have insured it during transit, for the amount indicated.

By the way, I have received no acknowledgment from you of the U.S. Colonial coins I returned to you from New York before my departure.

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
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Mr Eric P. Newman.

2nd September 1947

I presume they reached you safely, but I would like your formal acknowledgment.

Yours sincerely,


Leonard S. Forrer.

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September 2nd, 1947

Mr. Leonard S. Forrer
175 Piccadilly
London, W. 1, England

Dear Leonard:

With respect to the Swiss items which your customer wishes to buy - I will, to say the least, say that we are disappointed but think that we should sell such items as have been selected and listed by your customer. I believe he will increase his aggregate offer by at least \$50.00 for the group he has selected and suggest you endeavor to arrange it that way. You might speak to him when you are in Switzerland.

I had not neglected your request for the Hoffmann and Heiss but have not forwarded them as yet due to the small difference in time between shipment by freight and shipment by parcel post. My notion is that the entire library will be sold to you for \$1000.00 and I will credit against that price various sums which I am able to sell to others before shipping. You know of a certain Mr. Wittlin's request and Washington University is pressing me for the set of Cohen. I, therefore, plan to ship all of the books which have sufficient value to be worthwhile to ship and if you prefer to have them sent to any other address - please let me know.

We certainly enjoyed your visit and I look forward to the next opportunity we have to be together.

Receipt of the patterns of the Woods and Rosa types while you were still in the U.S. is acknowledged. If you think you can move those coins at a lower price, I would appreciate your suggestions.

With kindest personal regards,

Sincerely yours,

Lucerne, Sept.10th, 1947.

air mail

Mr. Eric L. Newman,
c/o St. Louis Stamp & Coin Co.,
408 Pine Street,
St. Louis, Mo.

Dear Eric,

Your kind Letter of September 2nd arrived just before I left for Switzerland, and I thought I would come over and discuss the Swiss matter before replying. (Please forgive mistakes as the machine on which I am writing has differences on the keyboard !)

I am glad to say that the customer has agreed to 1200.00 instead of \$1150 for the 41 coins of which I sent you the list. In addition he has selected 19 more at the valuation prices which total \$582.50 but as I do not have your lists with me I shall have to write to you from London giving you the actual details. You will therefore receive from the Chase National Bank in New York in a few days' time the sum of \$1782.50 sent you on my behalf. When you receive this would you be so good as to send the 41 coins you already know about in two registered letters at say an interval of three days by air mail direct to

Messrs. Adolph Hess A.G.,
Haldenstrasse 5,

Lucerne, Switzerland

who will acknowledge receipt to you. The remainder can then be sent in a third airmail registered letter when I have sent you the details. I think you will agree that after all with some persuasion I have not done too badly. The reason why I am to ask you to kindly despatch by air is that the customer is, as always, in a hurry to have the coins !

You will also be glad to hear that I have been able to make the necessary arrangements about my own affairs, and that a sum of money is being deposited for me with Messrs. J.P. Morgan of New York which will enable me to send you during the course of next week \$2629.00 thereby clearing the \$707.50 on the current account. The horace payment of just over \$7000.- will follow later in the year. So you see I am doing my best to redeem my promises.

I will reply in further detail to your letter on my return to London on Monday, but I wanted this to get off as soon as possible.

With kindest regards,

Yours very sincerely,

Leonard S. Forrer
Leonard S. Forrer

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NEW YORK 8, N. Y.

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DATE 8/29/47
REF. letter dated
8/16/47

WE ENCLOSE OUR CHECK FOR THE FOLLOWING:

	AMOUNT
Mr. Eric F. Newman, c/o St. Louis Stamp & Coin Co., 409 Pine Street, St. Louis, Mo.	75,829.00

(Sundry Items a/c)

Leonard S. Porvor, Esq.,
175 Piccadilly,
London, W. 1, England.INSTRUCTIONS
FROM

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17th September 1947.

Mr Eric P. Newman,
c/o St. Louis Stamp & Coin Co.,
408, Pine Street,
ST. LOUIS., Mo.,
U.S.A.

Dear Eric,

I would confirm my letter of the 10th instant from Lucerne.

You should have received by now from the Chase National Bank in New York \$1782.50 for the 41 plus 19 Swiss coins. The 19 pieces additional to the original selection (on which we are agreed at \$1200.00) are the following:-

Your List dated 29th July 1947

1)	Abt 1480 Basle, Ducat, Uncirculated	\$20.00
2)	1500 Basle, Ducat, Very fine	17.50
3)	1600 Basle, Ducat, Very fine, rare	50.00
7)	1700 Basle, Ducat, uncirculated	40.00
9)	1750 Basle, Ducat, uncirculated	35.00
14)	1795 Basle, Duplone, uncirculated	40.00
19)	1789 Solothurn, 1/2 duplone, Brilliant Proof	25.00
20)	1789 Solothurn, 1/2 duplone, Brilliant Proof	25.00
21)	1789 Solothurn, 1/2 duplone, Brilliant Proof	25.00
25)	1677 Zurich, 1/2 ducat, uncirculated,	12.50
	brilliant,	
		<hr/> 290.00

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Mr Eric P. Newman.

17th September 1947.

St. Louis Stamp & Coin Co., List dated
28th July 1947

4.	BASLE.	Abt. 1600 Ducat, V.fine: V.rare	\$50.00
5.	"	(1700) Ducat, Unc.	35.00
6.	"	" " "	40.00
7.	"	" " "	40.00
9.	"	(1750) " "	35.00
15.	"	(1790) Ducat, Liberty cap on pole, Unc.	30.00
24.	SOLOTHURN.	1789. $\frac{1}{2}$ duplone. Brill. pr.	25.00
25.	"	" " "	25.00
27.	ZURICH.	1649. $\frac{1}{2}$ ducat. Unc. Brill.	12.50
			292.50

I shall be glad if you will kindly credit my account therefore with \$178.25, and to simplify matters may I suggest that a new account be opened in order to avoid confusion with the old one.

I have now given Messrs J. P. Morgan & Co., 23 Wall Street, New York City, instructions to pay you the sum of \$2829.00 to clear the current account (£707. 5. -d), and I shall be glad to know you have received this.

I should also like to know whether you have received the consignment of English coins returned to you ex Horace lot. Owing to great pressure of business I have not yet succeeded in dividing the

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Horace lot, but as I have to take stock at the end of this month I am planning to accomplish this at that time.

With very kind regards and many thanks,

Yours ever sincerely,



Leonard S. Forrer.

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September 22nd, 1947

Mr. Leonard S. Forrer
175 Piccadilly
London, W. 1, England

Dear Leonard:

The money for the Swiss coins has not arrived as yet but we expect it momentarily. The following Swiss coins happened to be out on approval and are now in stock and perhaps your customer may be interested in them:

1568	Geneva.	Gold pistolet.	Unc., very rare	\$75.00
1654	Zurich.	$\frac{1}{2}$ ducat.	Unc.	12.50
1739	"	Ducat.	Bril. proof	30.00
1775	"	"	Unc.	27.50
1776	"	$\frac{1}{2}$ "	" bril.	12.50

I have not sent any of the books as yet due to packing difficulties and shipping problems but will do so shortly. A friend of mine wishes to buy Becker, The Counterfeiter and I wondered whether it is a necessity for you to have these volumes? You indicated that they were on your particular want list and my thought was since they were published by Spink you could get a copy in England if you needed it for yourself.

We are enclosing a copy of a letter which we just received from Mrs. Allen which will be of interest to you.

Two small groups of Horace coins have been received.

We have had a very, very, hot summer which made the time when you were here seem like cool weather! The early part of September was quite warm too but now I believe Fall has begun in earnest.

With kindest personal regards,

Sincerely,

Enc.

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26th September, 1947.

Mr. Eric P. Newman,
St. Louis Stamp & Coin Co.,
408, Olive Street,
ST. LOUIS, Mo.,
U.S.A.

Dear Eric,

Thank you very much for your kind letter of September 22nd. I can only imagine that the money was sent by sea-mail and not by air-mail, otherwise you should have received it long since.

The Morgan payment has also been slightly delayed owing to the fact that the Morgan Bank in New York, for some reason best known to themselves, remitted the money to London, and I have had to give instructions for it to go back to New York where it was to be distributed. All these things will come right in the end no doubt.

I notice that in my eagerness to write to you about the Swiss coins and the payment I omitted to deal with the second paragraph of your letter of September 2nd with regard to the books. Unfortunately the position is now different from what it would have been had you been able to send the books at once. As from September 12th the system of Licensing for the Import of books has been re-introduced and although I do not think I shall have any difficulty in obtaining the Licence, it is absolutely essential for me to have

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Mr. Eric P. Newman.

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a list of the books you will be sending together with the price of each volume or set, so that I may apply for the Import Licence; and the books must not be dispatched until I have been able to send the number of such Licence.

I am agreeable to your suggestion of selling the library to me for \$1,000.00 but crediting against that price the various sums obtained for those books you will be selling in the U.S.

As regards Becker, The Counterfeiter, the book is out of print over here and I should rather like to have this copy for my own library, but if your friend is really insistent I expect that I shall come across a copy at a sale one of these days, and I shall not very much mind letting it go. I am very sorry to give you all this trouble with regard to the books but I just cannot help myself; of course I had no knowledge that the situation would alter.

I am grateful to you for the copy of letters to and from Mrs. Allen. Apparently I made quite a good impression on both of them when I spent the evening with them.

I am sure you must be glad that the weather is cooler as I did feel for you knowing from the papers what tremendous heats you have had. Still, you had an advantage which I do not yet possess in that very pleasant air-conditioned room of yours.

With kindest regards.

Yours sincerely,

Leonard

Leonard S. Forrer.

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October 3rd, 1947

Mr. Leonard S. Forrer
175 Piccadilly
London, W. 1.

Dear Leonard:

In accordance with your request, I have held up the shipment of the books until I could send you a list. It was very fortunate that I was delayed in shipping the books as I had planned to send them a few days before I received your letter. I have had Miss Luby make a list of the items you wanted sent and have included in that list the suggested valuations which you mentioned when you were in St. Louis. There may be some books which you are not particularly interested in which we may dispose of before they are sent and I may add the Becker and Medina.

One item which we listed at home as being worth 3£, listed under the name of Gruber I do not find now but note that the three volumes of the British Museum Catalogue on Roman Republic was by Grueber and was valued at £4. Can you straighten me out on my little difficulty?

We have already sold \$292.00 worth of the books.

We received the remittance from J.P. Morgan & Company but have not received as yet anything on the Adolph Hess matter.

If you find a better Commonwealth crown, I would appreciate it.

I am looking forward to hearing from you as to the Horace matter so that we can rewrite the details for future convenience. I presume that your fiscal year is now closed and that your accountants can begin promptly to work in valuing the stock interest of the Estate. We would appreciate it if you could urge them to move along promptly.

You probably get all of the numismatic gossip long before we do so we have none to pass along at this time.

Kindest regards from the Gesslers, the Newmans and Miss Luby,

Sincerely yours,

Enc.

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10th October, 1947.

Mr. Eric P. Newman,
St. Louis Stamp & Coin Co.,
408 Pine Street,
ST. LOUIS, Mo.,
U.S.A.

Dear Eric,

Thank you very much for your kind letter of October 3rd together with list of the books. I see that they come to £184. 5. Od, and as you have already sold 292 dollars' worth of the books, that works in well with the 1,000 dollars you originally mentioned at which you were selling the whole lot of the books to me. I am applying immediately for an Import License and I will let you know as soon as I have this.

With regard to the GRUEBER that you cannot find, I am sure that you have it there, possibly under another title, as in my recollection you wanted to keep this volume for yourself. The title on the spine of the book is "Handbook of the Coins of Great Britain and Ireland - British Museum". I think this will enable you to recognise the book.

I am glad that you have received the remittance from J. P. Morgan & Co., and I have heard again from Adolph Hess that there was some foolish misunderstanding

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on the part of the Chase National Bank who, for some reason best known to themselves, wrote to Adolph Hess's customer and stated that before paying the money they must have a complete list of the coins for which they were paying. I replied that this was a large nonsense as all the Bank were required to do was to pay for the coins, since the dispatch of them would be in your care, and I imagine that the matter has now been straightened out.

In the course of a day or two I shall be splitting the Horace Lot as promised, as I have now finished the actual stock-taking so that the Accountants can now start checking the year's accounts. I will endeavour to suggest that they be prompt in the matter, but Accountants in this country, being professional people, cannot be ordered about. In any case you will be hearing from me again from time to time.

I will remember that you want a better Commonwealth Crown but these are difficult things to get, although you can rely upon my bearing it in mind.

With kindest regards,

Yours sincerely,



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Leonard S. Forrer.

November 28th, 1947

Mr. Leonard S. Forrer
175 Piccadilly
London, W. 1, England

Dear Leonard:

I have been doing a great deal of traveling and barely get time to take care of all of my obligations as lawyer, real estate man and executor and what have you, however, I have been looking forward to receiving from you at any time the two lists of the Horace matter but as yet have not received them. I realize you are quite busy but I hope that it can be arranged very promptly.

You will recall that you indicated to me that you hoped you would be able to complete before the end of the year all arrangements with respect to those parts of the Horace lot which have heretofore been discussed. I fully recognize the difficulties with which you are confronted and that some new problems have arisen since we talked the matter over. Would you be kind enough to let me know whether anything can be arranged before the end of the year or if you are unable to do so?

I am still looking forward to hearing from you with respect to the library.

You will please excuse this short note but we are celebrating our Thanksgiving holiday and I merely wanted to drop you a line which you would receive promptly.

With best wishes for the Christmas holiday season,

Sincerely -
